







Canada's opening ceremony flag bearer for the 2008 Beijing Olympics, Adam van Koeverden, speaks at a press conference in the Royal York Hotel in Toronto yesterday. Koeverden, 26, an Olympic kayaker, also carried the flag for Canada during the closing ceremony for the 2004 Olympics in Athens. Story, page 8.

Boyfriend charged in shooting

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A man accused of shooting his girlfriend through the neck on Tuesday morning appeared briefly in court yesterday, charged with attempted murder and other of-

Just before noon yesterday, Alvin Persaud, 29, of Ottawa was brought into a downtown courtroom. He was dressed in a blue button-down shirt and blue pants. The man's medium length black hair was dishevelled and he had a black goatee.

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Suspicious box closes bus route on your date

and his lawyer arranged a date for a bail hearing, Persaud sat in the prisoner's dock looking at the floor or staring straight for-

ward. He did not Lavoie speak during his appearance. His hearing is set for 11 a.m. on Aug 5.

Persaud is charged with attempted murder, aggravated assault and using a firearm during the commission of an indictable offence in connection to the shooting of Cathleen Lavoie, 44, whom a neighbour found in her

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Décor's effect

home at 470 Marlin Private early on Tuesday, bleeding from a gun-shot wound in her neck.

Lavoie required life support intervention by paramedics and was rushed to Ottawa Hospital's trauma centre, where she remains listed in serious condition.

Persaud was arrested at the scene. He has also been ordered not to contact Lavoie.

The shooting incident shocked

many of Lavoie's neighbours, many of whom knew her by the nickname "Mary Poppins" name she earned for the care she showed towards children in the neighbourhood

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Drew still loves ex-beau: Report

Confession doubts loom over murder

Experts clash over Ottawa case

When he confessed to murder 36 years ago, Romeo Phillion darkly observed he'd "signed my life away," but says he had reasons for doing so, even if they were bizarre.

For starters, he hoped his drag queen lover would receive a \$2,500 reward for information leading to the arrest of the killer.

Although Phillion recanted almost instantly and believed the entire mess could be straightened out, that proved wishful thinking. For now, nearly 41 years after Ottawa firefighter Leopold Roy was slain in his apartment stairwell, whether Phillion falsely confessed is the subject of a sometimes bitter courtroom showdown between two forensic experts.

Testifying before Justice Robert Sharpe yesterday as Phillion's case resumed in the Ontario Court of Appeal, forensic psychiatrist Dr, Michael Welner said false confessions do occur, but are rare, with no jurisdiction recording more than one or two "in a generation."

That paints a different picture than an assessment by the U.S.based Innocence Project, which says 25 per cent of 218 wrongful convictions uncovered through DNA evidence in recent years involved false confessions. Gisli

More questions

• Phillion's disputed confession isn't the only hurdle in the case. Also before the court is a long-buried police report saying officers had investigated Phillion's alibi back in 1972 and verified that he wasn't in Ottawa at the time of the murder. but in Trenton aetting his car fixed.

Gudjonsson, a forensic psychologist at Kings College in London, England, said Phillion's admission to the Ottawa murder bears the hallmarks of the phenomenon.

Phillion, a former drifter, is a highly suggestible person who likely blurted out the confession because he wanted to send police on a "wild goose chase," Gudjonsson said in a report. But Welner said there have been no other recorded cases of people uttering false confessions for that reason. He suggested Gudionsson has operated unchallenged for 20 years.

Phillion confessed to an Ottawa police detective in 1972 after seeing a statement signed by his drag queen boyfriend, Neil Miller, who said Phillion once claimed to have committed the murder - although he didn't believe him.

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Immigrants sending cash abroad

IMMIGRANTS Despite their own financial woes, four in 10 immigrants in Canada sent money home to families and friends abroad, says a Statistics Canada report released yesterday.

The first-ever national study of immigrants' remittances found skilled workers, investors and

entrepreneurs topped the list by sending an average of \$3,000 abroad, compared with \$2,700 for family-class immigrants and \$1.900 for refugees.

Annual "remittance" Canada was between \$1.5 billion and \$2 billion in each of the last four years. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



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Downed wires close Woodroffe

A collision between an OC Transpo bus and a Mercedes in the northbound lane of Woodroffe Avenue at about 3:40 p.m. yesterday downed several hydro wires, closing a section of Woodroffe Avenue during the afternoon rush hour. There were no injuries. METRO OTTAWA

Ottawa



Ferret ban brings complaint

A disabled woman has complained to the Canadian Transportation Agency that OC Transpo has banned her ferret from city buses, despite the fact her psychiatrist has likened the animal to a "service animal" similar to a guide dog. Frances Woodard insists her ferret, Gyno, helps her cope with panic attacks when she is in public.

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Rebar seriously injures worker

ACCIDENT A crane-load of rebar struck a 53-year-old construction worker in the chest yesterday, seriously injuring him.

"He was standing on the third floor and in charge of receiving the load coming up on the crane when the load twisted and struck him in the chest," paramedic spokesman J.P. Trottier said of the 6:50 a.m. incident yesterday at a construction site near the intersection of Kent and Slater streets.

"They were long, thick steel pieces that are very heavy."

Paramedics treated the man for a collapsed lung, a fractured leg and facial cuts. The man was strapped to a backboard and placed in an open metal basket, and with the assistance of a crane, lowered to street level from the third floor and taken to hospital where he is in serious condition. "He did not lose

"He did not lose consciousness and we do not fear for his life," said Trottier. "We think he will be fine."

TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA

News in brief

TRANSIT A councillor claims senior city management has advised him that a downtown transit tunnel will not be built for up to 11 years and that Ottawa will have to charge a special levy to pay for it. Details on those and other responses that Coun. Clive Doucet has received to different questions he's posed recently to city managers will be outlined at a press conference scheduled for today. Doucet also said in a press release yesterday that Ottawa's matching funds for any rail project have been "re-appropriated for busways and other projects." METRO OTTAWA



A police Explosives Unit bomb disposal robot, left, sits alongside an officer wearing blast-protection gear at a Transitway overpass

Mysterious box closes Transitway, Riverside

Police bomb-disposal robot disposes of package

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A suspicious package attached to a pole forced the closure of Riverside Drive and a section of Ottawa's bus Transitway for several hours yesterday.

The suspicious package

was reported to police shortly before noon and the Explosives Unit brought in a bomb disposal robot to investigate the box, which had been tied to a post.

A section of the Transitway running along Riverside Drive and Hurdman Station was closed. Since

dearth of qualified com-

the package was located on an overpass that spanned Riverside Drive, police were forced to close that road to traffic as well.

The closures caused traffic snarls around Industrial Avenue and north on Riverside Drive.

Paramedics, firefighters, the bomb squad and the

Hazardous Materials Unit investigated. The bomb disposal robot destroyed the package at around 2:35 p.m.

The package was not deemed hazardous.

Riverside Drive was reopened to traffic and the buses returned to normal schedule on the Transitway soon afterwards.

City cops cleared in woman's fall

INVESTIGATION Ottawa police are "in no way" responsible for the death of a woman who plunged from an apartment balcony late last month, the province's Special Investigations Unit said yesterday.

An investigation determined that police had no contact with the 48-year-old woman before she fell from an apartment balcony on June 30.

"In no way did they cause or contribute to her death," SIU Director James Cornish said.

At 6 a.m. on June 30, officers responded to two 9-1-1 calls from a woman at a Richmond Road apartment building who said that her daughter was threatening suicide.

The woman fell to her death from the seventh-floor balcony while police and emergency workers were still trying to gain entry to the main door of the building.

A civilian agency that investigates cases of serious injuries, allegations of sexual assault and deaths involving the police, the SIU assigned four field investigators and two forensic investigators to the local file

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Tournament rewards text obsession

among high school and

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COMMUNICATION Thumb wars have come a long

way since your childhood.
This weekend, your addiction to text messaging could pay off as the first annual LG Canadian Texting Championships land at the St. Laurent Shop-

ping Centre.
Nineteen qualifying tournaments, including one in Ottawa this weekend, will take place across Canada throughout the summer, leading up to the ultimate battle for the LG Canadian Texting Championship crown — and a \$25,000 prize — in August

Frank Lee, a public affairs manager for event host LG, expects no

petitors. The text-messaguniversity age students, ing phenome but also among profesnon has exsionals and even senploded iors, he said. in 'It's really funny recent because two or three years ago, we were celebrating not on-Canadians sending day," said Lee. "Now we're looking at 40 million." one million texts a A test of your texting thumbs awaits at a city mall tomorrow as the Canadian Texting Championships arrive.

"Text is the next version of e-mail. Most people are cellphone owners and it's very practical."

Frank Lee

Although a portion of the Canadian population is probably addicted, convenience is a main reason why texting has caught on, he said.

"People know that it's easier for the friend to access the information rather than call back to the voice messaging system," said Lee. "Text is the next version of e-mail. Most people are cellphone owners and it's very practical."

Done on full qwerty keyboards — meaning that every letter is a separate key — the three-day competition is expected to draw hundreds of people, said Lee.

At the regional qualifying tournaments, players type phrases as they appear on an overhead screen and they are graded on their speed, style and accuracy.

The event starts tomor-

The event starts tomorrow morning. There is no cost and participants can register on each day of the event.

In a pilot competition in the U.S., it came down to a young teenager and a young female professional, Lee said.

A musical lunchtime break

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Tourists and longtime residents alike are taking advantage of breezy summer days to catch some music in the heart of downtown Ottawa

In its third year, Noon Under the Bridge is going well, said National Capital Comspokeswoman

Chantal Comeau. "I went myself on several

that we have large crowds, particularly the when weather is nice," she said.

Concertgoers can come to the Plaza Bridge by the National Arts Centre during their lunch break, discover some new artists and enjoy a free hour of entertainment, said Comeau.

Although it was her first time at one of the shows, Margaret Horvath instantly liked the idea.

"It's a great idea to have it

that the bridge would shelter concertgoers from any rain.

Ottawa's Joel Baylin had never heard of Noon Under the Bridge, but decided to check it out with a friend, who had attended the shows previously.

Julia Xue spent the day on a walking tour of Ottawa and stopped at the show to relax and eat lunch.

Maria Canning and her friend Sue Aylott, both of here visiting Canning's daughter, Claire. "This is lovely," said Canning of the performers. "And the sound is good and clear."

Claire Canning said she'd seen the sign for the concerts before, but could never attend until now because she was always working. Comeau said the NCC

works with other festivals in the region, such as Bluesfest, in order to "maximize artists in the region.'

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Apartment fire being investigated

BLAZE Ottawa fire investigators and police are investigating what started an apartment fire that caused an estimated \$500,000 in damage on Tuesday night.

The fire at the threestorey apartment complex at 2176 Blossom Dr. near Billings Bridge started in a unit on the top floor, spread to the roof and to an adjacent apartment. District Chief Jeff Oxley said the fire is not yet considered suspicious.

TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA

Say what? **Interpretive Dance**



Dancers with The School of Dance's contemporary dance program performed near the Rideau Canal locks yesterday.

Parking woes hit Ottawa hospital

SPACES Motorists trying to park at Ottawa Hospital's General Campus were faced with limited spaces vesterday, causing frustration amongst hospital outpatients, families and staff who were

scrambling. Hospital officials say the parking problem stems from routine maintenance that's closed the hospital's public parking tower.

Some people had to walk kilometres to reach the hospital.

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Hero pilot honoured

Gimli, Man., hosted a celebration yesterday to honour retired pilot Bob Pearson, who 25 years ago safely landed an Air Canada 767 that had run out of fuel while flying from Ottawa to Edmonton in the small Manitoba town. None of the 69 people on board were injured. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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McGuinty wants PanAm help

Ottawa needs to join Ontario in the starting blocks soon if Toronto is to win the race to host the 2015 Pan Am Games, says Premier Dalton McGuinty, left, But the federal Conservatives insist they don't want to risk a false start by signing on to the \$1.77 billion bid too soon

Province gets \$7B from Feds CBC adds Chinese

Investment will help Ontario rebuild province's aging infrastructure

The federal government will pump almost \$7 billion into Ontario's aging infrastructure — most of it in towns and cities under a deal with Queen's Park to be announced

Federal representatives say the big investment will help cushion Ontario's economic woes, and that the new cash will mean construction projects and more jobs for the struggling province.

"At a time of economic challenge, at a time when the auto industry is problematic in Ontario ... can you imagine what \$7 bil-lion will do? Seven billion (dollars) will create jobs, create projects, hire people to do these projects," a senior federal official said yes-

"It's a major shot in the arm for Ontario," the official said. "This government is investing what it takes."

When matching contributions from the province and municipalities are added, the infrastructure investments could top \$21 billion under the funding program, which will run to

priorities

• The priorities for the funding include clean water, transit, green energy, road and bridge upgrades and the government's

The long-awaited deal will be announced today at a high-profile news conference at London's City Hall. Those on hand will include federal Transport Minister Lawrence Cannon, who is also responsible for Ottawa's communities and in-

"gateway" strategy to ease bottlenecks at border crossings with the U.S., along with cultural and sports infrastructure.

frastructure portfolio, and Finance Minister Jim Fla-

Representing the province will be Finance Minister Dwight Duncan and George Smitherman, Ontario's deputy premier and minister of energy and infrastructure.

The deal could also mark a political détente in the squabbling between the Conservative government in Ottawa and Liberals in Ontario

Big-ticket announcements, including Ottawa's pledge in its 2007 budget to deliver \$3.1 billion for Ontario under its Building Canada fund, had been delayed as details were negotiated with Queen's Park.

Those delays sparked anger among municipal officials who say they've lost two construction seasons.

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website

JOYCE YIP for Metro Canada



LANGUAGE Canada's national public broadcaster launched a Chinese news website vesterday.

CBC British Columbia, in association with Radio Canada International (RCI), became this country's first major broadcaster to introduce a news site that features up to 18 local, national and international stories in simplified and traditional Chinese.

"We'll pick a number of stories, then we'll talk to the translators/journalists at RCI, and they'll translate and post them," said Liz Hughes, the director of news for CBC.

The Chinese population in Canada has grown more than 18 per cent in the past decade, according to a 2006 Statistics Canada report. In some cities the percentage is even higher. In Richmond, for example, 44 per cent of residents are of Chinese descent.

"We do great local news here in CBC, and we want to get it to the absolute biggest audience we possi-bly could," Hughes said.

Oil, gas-rich Arctic sparks debate

ENVIRONMENT Developing the huge amounts of newly assessed Arctic oil and natural gas reserves amounts to "playing with fire as far as nature is concerned," says the head of a Canadian citizens' group.

Tony Clarke, executive director of the Ottawa-based Polaris Institute, was commenting on yesterday's report by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) estimating the area north of the Arctic Circle has 90 billion barrels of "technically recoverable" oil and 1,670 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. It was the first-ever assessment of the entire area north of the Arctic Circle. Much of the energy reserves lie in waters where sovereignty is disputed among Canada. Russia, the United States, Norway and Denmark.

At yesterday's press conference, scientists said more than half of the oil reserves occur in only three geologic

"It feeds into an already out-ofcontrol industry with the concerns of the public and the environment secondary."

Andrea Harden-Donahue

provinces — Arctic Alaska, the Amerasia Basin and the East Greenland Rift Basin.

Yesterday, Andrea Harden-Donahue, energy cam-paigner for the Council of Canadians in Ottawa, emphasized the need for social and environmental impact before "rushing into an energy gold rush."

"It feeds into an already

out-of-control industry with the concerns of the public and the environment secondary," she said.

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Edmonton Remembering Nancy Cooper



Jeff Rentz, brother of slain Nancy Cooper, listens to memorial service while holding two children yesterday at a church in Edmonton. The 34-year-old Cooper, who lived in Cary, N.C. but was born in the Edmonton area, was found dead two days after she went missing while jogging.

Tasered suspect was 17-years-old

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DEATH The suspected thief who died after being Tasered by Winnipeg po-lice was a cornered 17-year-old who refused orders to drop his knife, police said yesterday.

The incident began shortly before 4 p.m. Tuesday when two people spotted the 17-year-old allegedly stealing something from a vehicle behind a home in the city's west end. Police arrived within minutes and confronted the sus-

"They encountered this male who was armed in the rear lane of a residence," said Const. Jacqueline Chaput of the Winnipeg Police Service. "They repeatedly requested that he disarm himself and drop the knife.

"The male refused to comply with that request and at that point the electronic control device was deployed."

The teen was taken to hospital in critical condition, Chaput said, and was pronounced dead at the hospital. An autopsy should shed light on the Taser's role in his death.

Chaput couldn't say where the Tasers probes hit his body, how many times he was shocked or if the youth injured himself when he fell.

The stun guns, and the way police use them, has come under intense scrutiny in recent months, since the very public death of Robert Dziekanski, an agitated but unarmed Polish immigrant who died last October at Vancouver's main airport within minutes of being confronted by RCMP officers.

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News in brief

battle here. Dion says.

DION Canadians are increasingly in the mood for a federal election this fall, says Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion. But it may be another election - the U.S. presidential contest — that will also help the Liberals in any looming electoral

BYELECTIONS Prime Minister Stephen Harper is expected to announce three byelections as soon as today or tomorrow. The Guelph and Montreal riding of Westmount-Ville-Marie are the byelections to watch, since these ridings are important to Liberals. Another byelection will be called in St Lambert, formerly held by Maka Kotto of the Bloc Québécois.

SEAL HUNT The European Commission adopted proposals yesterday to ban the import of pelts from seals that have endured excessive suffering while being killed, risking possible trade conflicts with Cana-

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New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates pledged \$375 million US yesterday to fight what they called a global tobacco epidemic. The billionaires said the money would go to anti-smoking groups in developing countries. REUTERS

World/Business

Karadzic to defend himself

Former Serb leader accused of genocide, war crimes

Radovan Karadzic will conduct his own defence at the Hague tribunal and is convinced he will be cleared of charges of genocide, relatives and associates of the war crimes suspect said yesterday

Karadzic, leader of the Bosnian Serbs in the 1992-95 Bosnia war, was arrested in Serbia on Monday after 11 years on the run.

He was one of three remaining war crimes fugitives from the Yugoslav wars, their arrest a condition for Serbia to move towards European Union membership. He is now in a Belgrade

prison awaiting extradition to The Hague, which could come this weekend.

Karadzic's lawyer in Serbia, Svetozar Vujacic, said his client was in good mental and physical condition. He was not talking to investigators, but "defending himself with silence."

"He is going to have a legal team in Serbia but will



Supporters of Partizan Belgrade wave a flag with Radovan Karadzic's picture during a friendly soccer match against Olympique Lyonnais in Belgrade yesterday

defend himself during his trial at The Hague."

Karadzic is twice indicted for genocide for the massacre of 8,000 Bosnian Muslims in the town of Srebrenica in 1995 and for the 43-month siege of Sara-

Some 11,000 people died in the city from sniper fire, mortar attacks, starvation

Karadzic had wanted

Serb areas of Bosnia to be linked to Serbia and other Serb-dominated areas at a time when Slobodan Milosevic was fanning national-

Obama looks to reassure Israelis

MIDEAST U.S. Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama assured Is-



Obama

supporters vesterday he was a friend who would not press for peace concessions

rael and its

U.S. Jewish

that would compromise its security.

Obama, seeking to allay wariness among some U.S. Jewish voters, brushed aside critics who fear he may pressure Israel to make concessions on land

Questions remain over vice-presidents

AMERICA After months of secrecy and intrigue, presidential rivals Barack Obama and John McCain are almost ready to unveil the winners in the vice-presidential sweepstakes.

In the next few weeks, both candidates will end the suspense of a cat-andmouse selection game that has been conducted with rare discipline and infrequent leaks.

Democrat Obama is rumoured to be considering

Press battle

A report Monday that McCain would announce his choice this week in order to upstage Obama's overseas trip ignited a frenzy of speculation, which the Arizona senator's aides were happy to keep alive with a series of "no comment" responses.

rival Hillary Clinton but it is also thought he might turn to an ally and friend who heads a battleground state like Virginia Gov. Tim

Republican McCain appears ready to tap former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, who seemed to annoy him so often during their primary battle but has since become a steady surrogate. But time is running out on the process, which must conclude both by their party conventions this Fall

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News in brief

WEATHER Hurricane Dolly left more than 122,800 electric customers without power in South Texas yesterday evening after the storm made landfall in South Texas. Dolly's winds have reached 100 mph.

JAPAN EARTHQUAKE A strong 6.8 earthquake jolted northern Japan late yesterday, injuring at least 76 people, trapping hundreds in halted trains and temporarily cutting off electric power to thousands of homes.

IRAN MILITARY Iran is set to receive an advanced Russianmade anti-aircraft system that could help fend off strikes against its nuclear facilities. senior Israeli sources said yesterday.

Gas, food price hikes wipe out wage gains

INFLATION Soaring fuel and food costs caused consumer prices to shoot up in June - marking the largest surge in inflation in nearly three years and effectively erasing the bulk of wage gains earned by Canadians over the last year.

Statistics Čanada reported that consumer prices rose by 3.1 per cent in the 12 months ending in June 2008. In contrast, average hourly wages rose 4.4 per cent during that same period, according to the federal agency's recent labour force survey.

Economists said that

means Canadians are only being paid about 1.3 per cent more per hour than they were last year.

Statistics Canada gasoline prices climbed 26.9 per cent between June 2007 and June 2008, which is "significantly higher" than the 15 per cent increase posted in May.

Canadians also shelled out 3 per cent more for store-bought food in June than in the same month last year, eclipsing May's 1.9 per cent increase. Prices for bakery products alone climbed 12.3 per TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

CIBC sued over subprime loans

BANKING Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce is the first Canadian bank to face legal action over investments tied to plunging U.S. subprime mortgages. The lawsuit alleges that the bank did not disclose the extent of CIBC's total exposure to the sliding U.S. subprime mortgage market, which artificially boosted the bank's share price. REUTERS

In **brief**

RADIO Once decried as a dying medium, revenues for Canada's radio stations grew by 6.2 per cent to \$1.5 billion in 2007, the CRTC said. Profits improved 5.5 per cent to \$300.2 million.

JOBS Ford Motor Co. has told 350 new hires due to start on Monday at its Oakville, Ont., plant that their jobs are on hold because market conditions were too uncertain for it know when it might start a third shift. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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The Utah Jazz acquired veteran point guard Brevin Knight from the Los Angeles Clippers yesterday in exchange for guard Jason Hart. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Childress off to Greece

The Atlanta Hawks lost the services of Josh Childress, left, when the swingman signed with the Greek franchise Olympiakos yesrned down a five-year, \$33 million US offer from the



Canadian golfers feel the heat

Wait continues for another homegrown champ as Open gets underway

After battling punishing conditions at the British Open, Canadians Mike Weir and Stephen Ames face another daunting challenge in trying to end a 54-year drought for home players at the Canadian Open.

No Canadian claimed the n has national championship since Pat Fletcher in 1954, leaving Weir, Ames and 17 other Canadian contenders try-ing to wrestle the title away from back-to-back winner Jim Furyk at the Glen Abbey golf course starting today.

Weir, the 2003 Masters champion from Bright's Grove, Ont., came tantalizingly close to ending the dry spell the last time the Canadian Open was staged on the par 71, 7,273-yard Jack Nicklaus designed layout in 2004 but came up just short after losing to Fiji's Vijay Singh in a playoff.

"I remember (in 2004) that everybody was very excited," Weir told re-porters. "I was in contention, and Canada was playing for the gold in the world (hockey) championships. So there was a different atmosphere than a normal golf tournament.

Open facts

- Course: Glen Abbey Golf
- Club, Oakville, Ont. • Purse: \$5 million (US).
- Defending champion: Jim
- The 156-player field in-
- cludes 19 Canadians.

"But it was a special feel-

ing.
"I was really disappointed. What can I say? I've had plenty of those in my career. That was right up there with a number of

You live and learn and go on. That's four years ago. I don't think about it much anymore, and I'm going to try to win this week."

Furyk, the highest ranked player in the field at No. 10, is bidding to become the first player to win three consecutive Canadian Opens and his first title of the season, but has found little success at the Abbey finishing no bet-ter than a tie for 22nd in four previous starts.

The 38-year-old American, however, has been in superb form. He followed up a third place at the AT&T National with a fifth place finish last Sunday at



Mike Weir of Bright's Grove, Ont., signs autographs during his Pro-Am round yesterday at the Canadian Open at Glen Abbey Golf Club in Oakville, Ont.

the British Open.

American Anthony Kim can join Kenny Perry as the PGA Tour's only other three-time winner this season with a victory at Glen

Kim, a winner at the

AT&T National and the Wachovia championship, is enjoying a breakout campaign sitting fifth in the FedEx Cup standings.

. Open Two-time U.S. champion Retief Goosen will make a rare appearance in Canada as he looks to end a three-year PGA Tour victory drought.

The South African's only other visit to the Canadian Open was an unmemorable one in 1995, finishing in a tie for 77th. REUTERS

Ducks give Carlyle contract extension

NHL The Anaheim Ducks signed head coach Randy Carlyle to a two-year contract extension yesterday.

Carlyle, who now remains under contract with Anaheim through the 2010-11 campaign, has compiled a 138-74-34 record as head coach with the Ducks

The 52-year-old Carlyle was named head coach of Anaheim in August 2005.

Bruins set to cut Murray loose

NHL The Boston Bruins placed veteran forward Glen Murray on waivers yesterday.

Originally selected 18th overall by the Bruins in the 1991 NHL Entry Draft, Murray, 35, registered 17 goals and 13 assists in 63 games last season.

A native of Halifax, Murray has 337 goals and 314 assists in 1,009 career games with Boston, Pittsburgh and Los Angeles.

Broncos' Smith set to call it quits

NEL Denver Broncos wide receiver Rod Smith has called press conference for today to announce his re tirement, according to the Rocky Mountain News

Smith joined Denver as an undrafted free agent prior to the 1994 season, and went on to amass 849 career receptions, 11,389 receiving yards and 68 touchdowns in 183 games.

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Federer ousted at Rogers Cup

TENNIS Roger Federer's troubled season continued when he followed his crushing loss in the Wimbledon final with a shock defeat by Frenchman Gilles Simon at the Rogers Cup last night in Toronto.

Back on court for the first time since his five-set loss to Rafael Nadal at the All-England Club, the world No. 1 appeared ready to take out his disappointment on Simon by winning the first four games on the way to the

opening set.

But Simon, riding the momentum from championship win in Indianapolis on Sunday, refused to buckle under the pressure, battling back to beat the 12-time grand slam winner 2-6 7-5 6-4 and reach the third round.

It was the first time Federer had lost his opening I could have started bet-



Roger Federer of Switzerland leaves the court after being defeated by Gilles Simon of France last night at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto.

match in a tournament since falling to Briton Andy Murray in Dubai in

"The hard court season just started so it is not the end of the world but I wish

ter," Federer told reporters. "I like this surface, I like this tournament, I have

done well in the past here so it definitely hurts. "I have to regroup and look forward.'

REUTERS

Sports in brief

BASEBALL Ottawa Rapidz manager Ed Nottle left the team after last night's game against Atlantic City to return to Evansville, Ind., to attend pressing personal matters relating to his wife's health.

MLB Veteran outfielder Jay Gibbons is on the path back to the big leagues, after signing a minor league deal with the Milwaukee Brewers. The Baltimore Orioles released him in March. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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sports

British triple jumper Phillips Idowu said yesterday he would keep his hair dyed red to bring good luck in Beijing. REUTERS

Banned sprinter named to team

Katerina Thanou, banned for doping violations at the 2004 Olympics, has been included in Greece's squad for the Beijing Games but whether the sprinter will run remains to be seen.

With the deadline for qualifying set for yesterday, Thanou, who failed a drug test on the eve of the Athens Games, will have her place on the Hellenic Olympic Committee's squad confirmed.

Since we have still not heard from her and the qualification deadline ends tonight with no contender for Thanou's 100m spot, she is included in our official Olympic team," an HOC official said yesterday.

Thanou is not the only formerly banned athelete to qualify. Hungarian discus throw-

er Robert Fazekas qualified late on Tuesday.

Police arrest Internet dissident

SECURITY Chinese police have arrested a prominent Internet dissident for violating his probation terms, a rights group said, as the country steps up a crackdown on dissent to ensure the Games go smoothly.

Du Daobin was arrested after being accused of posting articles on overseas websites and receiving guests without permission. REUTERS

Tomorrow's lineup

FREE SPEECH Will the media finally enjoy the "complete freedom" Beijing organizers publicly promised? Pick up tomorrow's Metro for more.

days remain until the official start of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing



Oakville, Ont., kayaker Adam van Koeverden, 26, will be carrying the Maple Leaf back into the stadium for the 2008 Beijing Games, it was announced yesterday.

Kayaker to carry f

Van Koeverden, 26, will lead Team Canada into opening ceremonies

Van Koeverden had too

Kayaker Adam van Koeverden carried the flag in the closing ceremonies for Canada at the 2004 Athens Olympics. Now, he'll be carrying the Maple Leaf back into the stadium for the 2008 Beijing Games.

Van Koeverden was announced yesterday morning at a news conference in Montreal as Canada's flag bearer at the opening ceremonies at the Aug. 8-24 Beijing Summer Olympics. The Canadian team was officially announced yesterday at two news conferences.
"I don't see it so much as

leading but as representing," van Koeverden said via satellite from his local club in Oakville. "We're all marching in together.

Everybody's a leader."

Judoka Nicolas Gill carried the Canadian flag at the opening ceremonies at the 2004 Summer Games in Athens. Hockey player Danielle Govette was the Canadian flag-bearer at the 2006 Winter Games in Turin, Italy.

"I'm more than honoured and privileged. It fills me with so much fills me WITH SO MICE. pride to (carry the flag),"

Voeverden. "I said van Koeverden. can't wait.

Canadian athletes named

The Canadian Olympic Committee also unveiled the team that will compete in Beijing yesterday.

Some 331 athletes will represent Canada compared to 265 who competed at Athens.

The COC says the addition of the men's field hockey and women's soccer teams have contributed to the increase.

For more, go to olympic.ca. METRO NEWS SERVICES strong a resumé to be ig-nored and was chosen over a group of other possible candidates that included equestrian Ian Millar of Perth, Ont., who at 61 is competing in a record-tying ninth Olympics; diver Alexandre ninth Despatie of Montreal, an Olympic silver medallist and former world champion; and triathlete Simon Whitfield, the 2000 Syd-

ney Olympic champion.

Van Koeverden will be Canada's best medal hope in Beijing, as the reigning Olympic and world champion, as well as world record holder in the men's K-1 500 metres. He has been a force on the World Cup this season, winning five of six races (three in the K-1 500, two in the K-1, 1,000), and capturing a bronze in the other K-1. 1,000.

The 26-year-old from the Burloak Canoe Club in

"I'm more than honoured and privileged. It fills me with so much pride to (carry the flag)."

Adam van Koeverden

Oakville, Ont., also has the kind of attitude that the COC is hoping will be instilled in athletes as they move towards the 2010 Vancouver Olympics and beyond. Asked about the pressure of competing for Canada, van Koeverden's response "Bring it on."

'You should be stressed out about racing for Canada," he said earlier this year. "People are watching. You should perform. It's your job to perform. It's your job to run 100 metres or throw a javelin or paddle a kayak."

Van Koeverden is well respected among

peers. Among those who were pulling for him to get the job of flag bearer was Clara Hughes, the only Canadian to ever win medals in both the winter and summer Olympics. She will likely be a top candidate for the honour at the 2010 Games.

"I think he is the perfect choice because he is an athlete not afraid to put himself on the line — anywhere, any time, against anyone," said Hughes. There is this misconception about Canadian athletes that we are 'too nice' and sometimes I read things about Adam being brash, or cocky. I think he is fantastic.

"He says what most of us feel — that we want to be the best! His energy, drive and confidence is the perfect mix for the athlete leading the Canadian team into the Beijing Olympics.'

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A survey indicates that 82 per cent of Canadians feel that work-related stress is negatively impacting their health, but getting a real holiday is difficult for them. **SOURCE: IPSOS-REID SURVEY.**

Tech Now



Online banking

rech-savvy Canadians have made this country one of the "most developed" online banking markets in the world, suggests a new survey. Some 67.1 per cent of us banked online in April of this year.

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Most turn to Internet for travel plans

The travel industry is increasingly relying on technology to help people plan and book their trips.

Stuart MacDonald, the man who founded Expedia in Canada, says 40 per cent of all Canadian leisure travel is booked online, and in the United States that rate is now 60 per cent. He says that this year for the first time ever, hotel rooms being booked online have exceeded rooms booked over the telephone.

The Internet is the first stop for most people planning to travel, so they can research possible destinations. Then they do online research about costs and then they decide whether to book their own trip or contact a travel agent.

MacDonald has returned to Canada to launch the



travel site *tripharbour.ca*, with an eye on nabbing traffic from travellers who have their hearts set on a cruise. He is so certain that the cruise business will expand that his new site, which went live in April, combines the elements of social networking and a travel site.

A few numbers about the cruise industry: Over the next three years, 23 new cruise ships are scheduled to be launched worldwide,

with 21 of those capable of carrying in excess of 2,000 passengers. This will create some 26,000 new jobs. Last year about 12 million North Americans took a cruise and that number will rise nearly 10 per cent this year. The average age of a cruiser is 45.

MacDonald tells me that there are two key features to the new website and what it offers.

- First, reviews of trips by real people. Increasingly consumers are putting a lot of emphasis on what others think about a trip or a destination.
- Secondly, there is instant online help. He says that consumers, especially those who are not frequent travelers, do have questions and he says that is where the expertise of

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travel agents often comes into play. His site offers the advice of travel experts.

MacDonald says he does not believe that travel agencies will ever disappear and many of the smart ones are providing a significant online presence.

Another new site, with a broader view of the travel industry is a Toronto startup, with Microsoft backing, called *planteye.com*. Again, there's a social network element to a site, which allows you to research, reserve, organize



and share your trip.

Paul's web site of the week: kayak.com This site has been described as the Google of travel search en-

gines. It searches through more than 140 travel websites to give you the best options if you want to book a trip online.

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Bright idea

shade by painting the inside

Impressing your date

Teddy bears and superheroes: No

dating, take a good look at vour home décor. Although you may not always realize it, the way you decorate your home makes a personal and revealing statement about yourself. And that is so true when it comes to bringing a date into your home for the first time.

While it is not the only factor that determines your success with that special someone, your home décor or a lack of it could spell the difference be-tween goodbye after the first date, or a continued relationship. It can certainly enhance your first impression, or it can break it.

Let's start off with the living room, as your date will sit in this room. First of all, make sure the furniture isn't old or tatty.

It doesn't need to be high end, but make sure it is tidy and clean, as disor-derliness and dirt doesn't turn anybody on. Clutter, as always, is a no-no, because it produces agitation

f you're serious about Arresting Design



rather than peacefulness. Keep in mind that stu-

dent-like digs are fine for students, but if you are a young professional and you're looking to impress the man or woman of your dreams, get rid of the beanbag chairs and blowup furniture, and invest in a few stylish pieces that signal your more grownup

A few thoughtfully chosen objets d'art can be conversation starters. Make them meaningful and personal, but tasteful. When you choose the piece, think about why you like it, and what it means to you. Do not choose paintings just because the

colours work - or you'll end up with what feels like a dentist's waiting room. But don't go overboard our décor advice is that it is better to be subtle than outrageous. Express your personality in small ways.

The kitchen should be clean and uncluttered. And do think to stock up on some lovely treats for your

date — fresh fruit, choco'A few thoughtfully other delica- chosen objets d'art

flowers on a starters. Make And fresh counter or a them meaningful dining room and personal, but table are al-ways lovely, tasteful." and will impress, believe us!

The bathroom must be spotless and uncluttered with all your grooming paraphernalia — need we say any more?

And finally, the bedroom. First of all, a bedroom should not look like a shrine to your youth. For example, a young woman

who still keeps teddy bears on her bed, and has a pink ruffled bedspread seems, well ... young. And a young man who still has pictures of superheroes on his wall does not seem like the kind of person who is ready to take on the responsibilities of adulthood.

Mementoes of your youth, like trophies, and

high school awards and like, should can be conversation displayed in a cabinet or shelf devoted to that purpose. But this should only be a small collec-

tion in a much larger room that has been decorated according to a larger theme or décor style.

Because you want to seem open to the idea of two rather than one, keep your decorating colours and style gender neutral in the bedroom, rather than anything too overwhelm-



Your home's décor will make a lasting impression on your date.

ingly feminine (such as an all-peach and pink colour scheme, for example) or masculine (such as all dark leathers and ebony wood).

Don't forget to choose

gorgeous sheets and coordinating pillows worth the splurge.

Last but certainly not least, (and you'll thank us for this) do not forget to put away pictures of former girl or boyfriends.

Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.

Power tool use plugs into safety around the house

One of the major elements in the successful performance of work around the home, both inside and outside, is the proper choice and use of tools.

In this respect, the seal of the Canadian Standards Association is a reference, because it indicates that the tools bearing the seal respect the Canadian Standards of manufacturand are equipped with a ground wire or double insulation. This is very prac-Here are a few tips from

to help you use your tools safely: • The Power cord: Do not

handle the tool by its cord. This tends to

age the cord (and the damage is not always visible). The plug and the handle: Grip the plug (not the cord) to disconnect the tool and use the handle to move it about.

Damaged Tools: Never use a tool

if the electric cord has been damaged or if the ground wire is twisted or cut. Likewise, never use a damaged extension cord. • Three-pronged plug: Never cut or fold the rounded ground prong of this part of the tool.

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cord: When using an electric saw or drill, keep the electric cord behind you to be certain that you do not accidentally cut into it.

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Blueberry storage

Warmth and moisture hasten decay. Refrigerate berries, but don't wash until needed. Then rinse gently and drain well. To freeze berries whole, rinse lightly, dry well. Arrange in a single layer and freeze until firm, then pack in plastic bags or containers. METRO NEWS SERVICES lifestyle 11



"Once you've had your fill of fresh berries, bake them into pies, muffins, cakes, cobblers or preserve in jams and jellies."

BARB HOLLAND/FOR METRO CANADA





Canada is the world's largest producer of wild blueberries, one of nature's true blue foods. There are two basic types of blueberries: the smaller 'wild' low bush berries and the larger high bush 'cultivated' berries. While opinions differ, I think the smaller 'wild' berries have a more intense flavour and bake better than the larger cultivated blueberries. Whatever type you pick or buy, both are delicious, wonderfully healthy and now's prime time to eniov them.

Blueberry Breakfast Bread Pudding

This can be served for

Beautiful blueberries

breakfast, brunch dessert. Make the eggbread mixture the night before. In the morning while the oven is preheating, add berries and bake. Makes 6 servings.

INGREDIENTS:

4 eggs 2 tbsp (30 mL) sugar 1 tsp (5 mL) vanilla 1-1/2 cups (375 mL) milk 4 day-old croissants 1-1/2 cups (375 mL) fresh blueberries, divided 1/4 cup (60 mL) brown sug-Icing sugar and/or maple

METHOD:

Whisk eggs, sugar, vanilla and milk together. Cut croissants into 1-1/2 inch (4 cm) pieces. Press pieces into mixture, pushing under liquid. Cover and refrigerate 2 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 375F (190C). Butter an 8-inch (20 cm) square baking dish.

Gently add 1 cup (250 mL) blueberries to bread mixture; spoon into dish. Sprinkle with brown sugar and bake until puffed and bubbly, 30 to 35 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving. Serve warm with remaining berries, icing sugar and/or maple syrup.

Blueberry tips:

The Pick of the Crop: Choose blueberries that are plump and brightly coloured, as berries do not ripen after they have been picked. Blueberries will be deep blue, dusted with a silvery frost. Size is not an

tion of ripeness but colour is, so steer clear of blueberries that are still red. Likewise, pass over any berries that are shrivelled, mouldy or if their boxes are stained with berry juice, all indications that the berries are past their prime.

 Good for you: Blueberries are a good source of fibre and have a high level of anthocyanins in the blue pigment, an antioxidant beneficial in fighting the effects of aging, heart disease and cancer. One cup (250 mL) blueberries has only 86 calories and supplies about 23 per cent vitamin C and 14 per cent fibre of our recommended daily require-

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

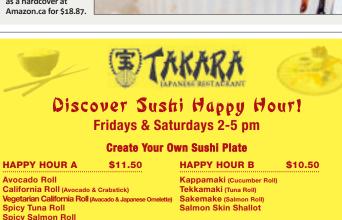


Whatever type you pick or buy, blueberries are delicious, wonderfully healthy and now's prime time to enjoy them.

Recipe Baked Raspberry French Toast Fabulous Fairholme:

Breakfasts and Brunches by Sylvia Main reflects the elegant hospitality and lifestyle guests enjoy while staying at Sylvia Main's Fairholme Manor Inn in Victoria, **B.C. Whitecap Books** offered Metro the decadent recipe for this Baked Raspberry French Toast, available at metronews.ca. Fabulous Fairholme: Breakfasts and Brunches is available as a hardcover at Amazon.ca for \$18.87.





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Love gets sued over publishing rights

A business management and accounting firm has sued rocker Courtney Love for failing to fork over a percentage of the proceeds after selling a portion of Nirvana's publishing rights for \$19.5 million US, E! News Online reports. METRO

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A humble life for Canning

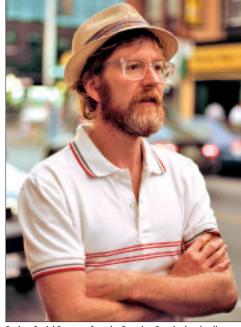
Broken Social Scenester says solo effort is released one year late

BRIAN TOWIE Metro Canada

Though he may not have the sensationalist surrealism of Big Brother, Brendan Canning doesn't mind inviting you into his modest world.

The bass-playing Broken Social Scene co-founder and former member of 1990s Canadian alt-rock group hHead recently finished recording his solo album, Something for All Of Us (release Tuesday), the second project under the Broken Social Scene Presents moniker that showcases individual work — as individual as it gets with them, anyway — from the Toronto-based indie collective's members.

Much like the group's previous side projects, BSS alumni contributions (cofounder Kevin Drew, Andrew Whiteman, Justin Peroff, Ohad Benchetrit, the gang's all here) are ubiquitous on Canning's diverse album, and in the same vein as Whiteman's National Anthem of Nowhere under the Apostle of Hustle brand, production



Broken Social Scene co-founder Brendan Canning's solo album Something for All Of Us was released on Tuesday.

meticulous and slow-moving, so much so that Something For All Of Us came out one year late.

DAVID WROBLEWSKI

Canning's opus was to coincide with the release of the other existing BSS Presents title, Drew's Spirit If...,

"I wasn't surprised about the leak ... I just wasn't happy with the minute details of some of the songs, so I spent a lot of time touching them up for store releases."

Musician Brendan Canning

which dropped last September, though an earlier version of Canning's album leaked online in June.

"I've never been the greatest at making deadlines," laughs Canning, 38. "I wasn't surprised about the leak either. I just wasn't happy with the minute details of some of the songs, so I spent a lot of time touching them up for store releases. If you got the online version, you don't get to go out to your local record store and support the music. But then, what's that all going to mean 100 years from now, really?'

But while Drew kept his effort under lock and key, Canning was quite open to revealing his process, allowing Bruce McDonald, director of 1996 mockumentary Hard Core Logo, into the studio to film the closing days of Canning assembling his diverse array of driving

bassy undercurrents and unpretentious bangers, such as single Hit the Wall Titled The Raw Side Of Brendan Canning, the documentary is tentatively set to air on IFC in the fall.

"It's weird having a camera crew around when you're trying to record. You get self-conscious, but Bruce and I have worked before. We're friends and he's very respectful," he said.

"I guess I could have gotten myself arrested or drugged up or angrily smashed stuff to make better television, but I let it be. What can I tell you? It's an unapologetic look at the humble life of a musician in the middle class suburbs.

in concert

Brendan Canning plays the Ottawa Folk Festival on Aug. 15.

Anchorman sequel on track



to put the sex-ist, freewheeling newscaster back in the anchor chair, ew.com reports.

McKay has said he and Farrell have begun work on a sequel that could jump ahead a decade to the '80s.

DreamWorks says it hasn't yet talked to the duo, but that doesn't mean Ferrell and McKay aren't dreaming up inappropriate new plots. "The audience will now allow us to do even crazier stuff,' McKay said.

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In **brief**

PRISON SENTENCE Hulk Hogan's son Nick Bollea is set to spend the rest of his prison sentence for reckless driving in an adult facility, and will be transferred on his 18th birthday Sunday, according to imdh com

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Pink to drop fresh tracks

Grammy-winning singer-songwriter Pink has announced plans to release a fifth, as-yet-untitled, studio album Oct. 28. The debut single, So What, is due out in early August. E! NEWS ONLINE



Brendan **Canning**

Album: Something For All Of Us Label: Arts & Crafts

Release date: July 22 Rating:

THERE'S SOME-TIMES a fine line between noise and art. Brendan Can-



ning has enjoyed walking that line with Toronto's Broken Social Scene. Now he's drawing the line a little finer with his solo debut. He pulls it off successfully with the help of a strong contingent of BSS friends such as gui-tarist Andrew Whiteman keyboardist/bassist Kevin Drew and singers Amy Millan and Lisa Lobsinger. When you've got somebody like Whiteman playing guitar for you, even the noise sounds good.

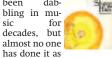
Graham Rockingham

She & **Him**

Album: Volume One Label: Merge

Release date: July 22 Rating:

ACTORS HAVE been dab. bling in mu-



well as Almost Famous actress Zooey Deschanel. Playing under the moniker She & Him, Deschanel teams up with Merge's M.Ward and together they've create a stunning alt-country debut. This is Not A Test is one of the best songs here — it sounds straight out of '70s Nashville -but some of the duo's covers, including The Beatle's I Should Have Known Better, are interesting as well. Russell Crowe better be taking notes.

Bryan Borzykowski

Dr. **Doa**

Album: Fate Label: Park the Van Records Release date: July 22

PHILADELPHIA'S

DR. DOG displays a fascinating meld of influences on The Fate.



quirky vocal harmonies and unique instrumentation on this 11-track disc sometimes harken back to Big Pink-era The Band. In some ways, Fate is defined by Zach Miller's old-west piano stylings. Not that it's all

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throwback or country - the funky touches come as a welcome surprise, and quite naturally. And who knew strings could swing? Jim Reyno

Black **Kids**

Album: Partie Traumatic Label: Red Ink/Sony BMG Release date: July 22 Rating:

THE BUZZ around Jacksonville's Black Kids has been steadily



growing since their CMJ appearance last year, but it's only now that all the hype gets put to the test. Fortunately, their debut disc delivers. Partie Traumatic is an uplifting, frenetic rock record that recalls '80sinfluenced boy-girl bands like the GO Team! and The Ting Tings. While the disc isn't perfect it's a bit too heavy on the synth — its hooks infectious and energetic songwriting should impress even the most jaded indie rock fans.

Bryan Borzykowsk

Buddy Guy

Album: Skin Deep Label: Silvertone/Zomba /Sony BMG

Release date: July 22 Rating: @@@@

BUDDY GUY IS pretty much the greatest living practi-tioner of elec-



tric blues guitar in the world (I use the qualifier "pretty much" out of respect to B.B. King fans). There's only a few who come close, including

Eric Clapton, ever felt like,

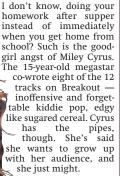
Derek Trucks and Robert Randolph. Luckily all three are featured on Guy's latest guitar feast, Skin Deep. The duet with Clapton on Every Time I Sing The Blues spine-tingling is good. Graham Rockingham

Miley Cyrus

Album: Breakout Label: Hollywood Records Release date: July 22

HAVE YOU EVER wanted to just ... break-out! Have you

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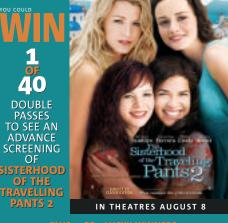
Breakout is the new album from teen star Miley Cyrus.

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Entertainment in brief

MUSIC Oasis blames the English football team for delaying the release of new album Dig Out Your Soul, femalefirst.co.uk re

ports. The album was pushed back to the fall so the band could see the European Championships. METRO NEWS SERVICES



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critics'corner—

Talk about picking the wrong person to pick on! Wilhelmina's (Vanessa Williams) effort to shake her "mean girl" image suffers a setback when she scuffles with an elderly woman over a cab. Not just any elderly woman — beloved octogenar-ian actress Betty White (guest starring as herself). The other Betty (America Ferrera) agrees to an unusual double date in "Bananas for Betty." 8 PM on 20 ABC 15 CITY



Fear Itself

Home not-so-sweet home. A couple (Brandon Routh, Shiri Appleby) who recently moves thinks they have found the perfect idyllic neighborhood. What they don't realize is just how far the other residents will go to keep up appearances. Written by Kelly Kennemer, the new episode "Community" also stars John Billingsley and Bonita Friedericy. 10 PM on 9 NBC



Author J.K. Rowling says she regrets she never told her mother about her famous creation, Harry Potter. Rowling began work on her tales of the apprentice wizard six months before her mother Anne, who had multiple sclerosis, died. BBC NEWS ONLINE

Celebrity Buzz

Barrymore may still lové her ex

FEELINGS FOR THE EX

Drew Barrymore is still in love with her exboyfriend, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress, who recently split from her latest suitor Justin Long, reportedly initiated the break-up because she couldn't stop thinking about former lover, The Strokes drummer Fabrizio Moretti.

"Drew just could-n't get Fabrizio out of her mind," a source said. "She says Justin was great, but what she had with him just wasn't as strong. Barrymore, who

dated the rocker for five years, has remained in contact with Moretti since they separated and reportedly feels ready to settle down and start a family

The source added to National Enquirer magazine: "Drew told me, 'I want kids, and I want them pretty soon, and the more I am away from Fabrizio, the more I realize he is the one.

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BABIES Amy Winehouse has revealed she wants at least five children and twins, femalefirst.co.uk reports The singer insists she and husband Blake Fielder-Civil, who this week was sentenced to 27 months in prison for grievous bodily harm and perverting the course of justice, are ready to start their family. "I love kids," she said. "To

be honest. I think kids have got a lot more going on than adults. They've got their heads screwed on a lot better. Blake and I can't wait to have kids. I want at least five kids, and I want twins. Blake is going to be the most amazing dad. When Blake was about we talked about it all the time. We'd like to have identical twins. Blake had a dream that we had a girl who was dark like me. I had a dream that I had one older, like 18 months, dark like me and identical twin babies." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Winehouse wants 5 kids

Maggie Gyllenhaal reads no evil

Rowling's regret

MEDIA Maggie Gyllenhaal has vowed never to read articles printed about her, in a bid to protect herself from harsh media criticism. imdb.com reports.

"The amount of scrutiny can be unbearable," she said. "It's sometimes really

hurtful." METRO NEWS



Locklear back home

TREATMENT After successfully completing four weeks of treatment for anxiety and depression, Heather Locklear is back home, *People.com* reports.
"Heather's feeling really

great," says a close friend. And she looks beautiful, just radiant.

While the actress' recovery is "a work in progress," Locklear seems rejuvenated by her month away, says the friend. "She told a really funny story and she laughed



Wentz gets fatherly advice

PREP Pete Wentz has been taking fatherhood advice from his dad and father-inlaw, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Fall Out Boy rocker and new wife Ashlee Simpson are expecting their first child together and Pete has been talking to Joe Simpson and his pop Pete to make sure he is fully prepared for the arrival. He told OK! magazine: "I'm reading all the books. The best one I've read so far is The Expectant Father.

"I'm talking to my dad a lot. I'm talking to Ashlee's dad a lot. We hang out with other people who have kids. You see the world in a different way. It's exciting.'

The bassist also spoke about his friends' response to the pregnancy.

"My friends are all really excited for me," he added. "Our drummer Andy Hurley was the first

to respond to anything. I

sent out the e-mail for my wedding and Andy responded seven minutes later like, 'I'll be

there and these are the sizes of my clothes.' METRO NEWS SERVICES

PEOPLE Miley Cyrus is continuing to speak out about her infamous Vanity Fair photos, usmagazine.com reports. She called the shots "a mistake" during an interview on ABC's Good Morning America recently. "I think \check{I} was just in a stage where I was just trying to get things

done, and maybe look for an

older audience," the 15-year-

old said.

Miley talks photos

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Smith is rolling in the dough, Big Willie Style

CHEQUES Will Smith has topped a list of Hollywood's highest paid actors, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Hancock star has made \$80 million US in the last year — became the first ever actor to have eight consecutive movies break the \$100-million mark at the box office.

His earnings caused him to shoot to the top of Forbes magazine's list, ahead of Johnny Depp who earned \$72 million.

Eddie Murphy and Mike Myers came joint third with earnings of \$55 million each, and Leonardo DiCaprio rounded off the Top 5 after making \$45 million last year. Bruce Willis proves he still has the potential to be a huge boxoffice star, after coming sixth in the list with earnings of \$41 million. He was closely followed by come dian Ben Stiller (\$40 million) and Nicolas Cage (\$31 million).

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bell has hit out at the current batch of "super-models," insisting Gisele Bundchen was the last to deserve the title. METRO NEWS

Memoirs postponed for Downey Jr.

Downey Jr. has re turned the advance on his memoirs after postponing plans for a tellall femalefirst.co.uk reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

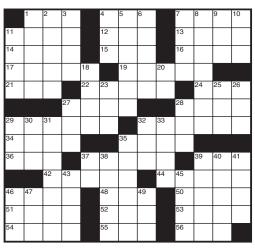




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Take Five

AVATAR VENUS



Crossword down

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- 2 Lopsided

Former House actress Anne Dudek, right, is expecting her first child with artist husband Matthew Heller. She showed off her bump for the first time at the premiere of Season 2 of her new show Mad Men in Los Angeles recently. IMDB.COM

- 3 Archie or Jughead
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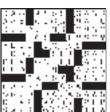
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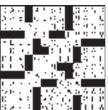
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JULY 23-AUG 23

An embarrassment is diminished by a cheerful player. A visitor makes a scary mistake. Old folks are stunned by false friends.

VIRGO

Your friendships will bring good luck.

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20 An unfair situation will be

revealed. Self-indulgence will have a certain appeal. Allow yourself to develop stronger willpower.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Adjustments will have to be made. A lost object is under a car. Be ready for shocking disclosures. Gossip will clarify strange reactions.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

Socializing will get complicated. A false story wipes out some plans. Don't get bent out of shape over a fiasco.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22 A lucky occasion arises for a

heart in waiting. Bad timing causes a woman to spill the beans. A better place will be found for you.

LEO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

An odd friend will get down and dirty. You'll find peace of mind in a bad state of affairs.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

Be gracious to someone who needs your support. All will go well if you give it a chance. Plan to meet and meddle with the right person.

SCORPIO

OCT 24- NOV 22

Follow your dreams to make things right. An offer is made and refused. An idiotic scandal breaks out due to obedi-

SAGITTARIUS (x)

NOV 23- DEC 21

An adventure will give you giggles. An obstacle will be triumphed over. A humane visitor will you some bizarre advice.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Bondage to a bad habit can be broken. When boredom sets in, you'll wish you had a hobby. Be prudent, cautious,

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AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

and brave

Someone's passion causes euphoria. All will be well between new partners. A love chat flourishes despite shy-

PISCES

FEB 19-MAR 20

A defiant person will be punished. Dedicate yourself to eating in moderation. A lover's quarrel will be blown out of proportion.

This day in history

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JULY 24, 1567: Mary Queen of Scots is deposed and replaced by her 1-

year-old son James VI. JULY 24, 1967: During an official state visit to Canada, French President Charles de Gaulle declares to a crowd of over 100,000 in Montreal: "Vive le Québec libre!" (Long live free Quebec!). The statement, interpreted as support for Quebec independence, delighted many Quebecers but angered the Canadian government and many English Canadians.

JULY 24, 1974: Watergate Scandal: The United States Supreme Court unanimously ruled that President Richard Nixon did not have the authority to withhold subpoenaed White House tapes and they order him to surrender the tapes to the Watergate special prosecutor. JULY 24, 1990: Iraqi forces start massing on the Kuwait/Iraq border.

Sudoku

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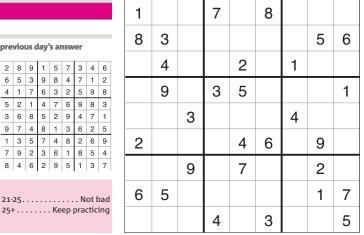
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